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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of: H. MIZUKAMI :
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Appln. No. : 10/648,135 :
Filed : August 26, 2003 : Examiner: USMAN A.
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RESPONSE

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
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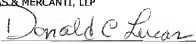
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This is in response to an Office Action dated May 22, 2007 in the above-identified case. Attached are Remarks, which include a Species Election, starting on a separate page.

REMARKS

Species Election

Applicants hereby elect the first Species, Figures 16-21.

The claims that are readable on the Species are Claims 1, 2, 7, 8, 13, 14 and 19-42.

Conclusion

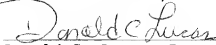
In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the Application is in condition for further examination and such action is respectfully requested.

Should any fees or extensions of time be necessary in order to maintain this Application in pending condition, appropriate requests are hereby made and authorization is given to debit account #02-2275.

Respectfully submitted,

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